

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 (Currently amended): A method of providing ~~additional~~ instruction to a user of an instructional program comprising:

presenting an interactive instructional program to the user via an information processing device, the program having a plurality of sections each comprising instructional information related to a subject;

~~presenting, at selected times,~~ making available to the user additional instructional options ~~to the user~~ related to ~~a section~~ the instructional information for one or more sections in the program;

the additional instructional options for said one or more sections including

~~information presented to the user in a form perceivable by the user at a first level of sophistication;~~

~~information presented to the user in a form perceivable by the user at a second level of sophistication;~~

~~the additional instructional information presented available to the user in no less than two~~ at least first and second levels of sophistication, any of the at least first and second levels of sophistication being ~~user selectable~~ user-selectable, at any time and in any order ~~vary in number or type from section to section.~~

Claim 2 (Original): The method of claim 1 wherein the first level of sophistication comprises information at a first level of comprehension.

Claim 3 (Original): The method of claim 1 wherein the second level of sophistication comprises information at a second level of comprehension.

Claim 4 (Original): The method of claim 1 wherein the second level of comprehension is at a higher level than the first level of comprehension.

Claim 5 (Original): The method of claim 1 wherein the first level of sophistication comprises a first type of voice.

Claim 6 (Original): The method of claim 5 wherein the second level of sophistication comprises a second type of voice.

Claim 7 (Previously presented): The method of claim 1 wherein the first level of sophistication has attributes comprising one or more of short, low educational, plain language, summary fashion, brusque voice, man's deep voice.

Claim 8 (Previously presented): The method of claim 7 wherein the second level of sophistication has attributes comprising one or more of long, high educational, more complex language, detailed, relaxed voice, woman's voice.

Claim 9 (Previously presented): The method of claim 1 where each level of sophistication has one or more attributes which differ from the other level of sophistication, the attributes comprising one or more of type of voice, type of language, type of graphics, type of background sound, and detail of information.

Claim 10 (Currently amended): The method of claim 1 further comprising additional instructional information ~~presented~~ available to the user in a form perceivable by the user at least a third level of sophistication.

Claim 11 (Currently amended): An apparatus for providing ~~additional~~ instruction to a user of an instructional program comprising:
~~a computer~~ an information processing device including a digital information storage medium;

a software program loaded on the digital storage medium;

the program comprising;

- (a) ~~audio-visual-interactive~~ instructional information relating to a subject matter, the instructional information comprising a plurality of sections;
- (b) an ~~additional module, the~~ instruction module including additional instructional options related to the plurality of sections, the additional instructional options including audio-visual information related to the subject matter at two levels of sophistication; the additional instructional information presented available to the user in no less than two levels of sophistication, any of the levels of sophistication being user-selectable user-selectable, at any time and in any order vary in number or type from section to section.

Claim 12 (Original): The apparatus of claim 11 wherein the two levels of sophistication include a first level comprising a first voice and a second level comprising a second voice.

Claim 13 (Original): The apparatus of claim 11 wherein the two levels of sophistication include a first level comprising a first character and a second level comprising a second character.

Claim 14 (Original): The apparatus of claim 11 wherein the two levels of sophistication include a first level comprising a first textual content and a second level comprising a second textual content.

Claim 15 (Original): The apparatus of claim 11 wherein the two levels of sophistication include a first level comprising a first voice and a first textual content and a second level comprising a second voice and a second textual content.

Claim 16 (Currently amended): An interactive learning system comprising:
a lesson in the form of ~~audio-visual~~ information on a digital media that is viewable and
perceivable by a user on ~~a computer~~ an information processing device;
learning assistance related to at least one part of the lesson information and in the form of
~~audiovisual~~ additional information on the ~~CD-ROM~~ digital media that is viewable and
perceivable by a user on ~~the computer~~ an information processing device;
~~the learning assistance having two levels of sophistication~~;
the additional information ~~presented~~ available to the user in no less than two levels of
sophistication, any of the levels of sophistication being user-selectable ~~user-selectable~~, at
any time and in any order ~~vary in number or type from section to section~~.

Claim 17 (Original): The system of claim 16 wherein the two levels of sophistication include a first level comprising a first voice and a second level comprising a second voice.

Claim 18 (Original): The system of claim 16 wherein the two levels of sophistication include a first level comprising a first character and a second level comprising a second character.

Claim 19 (Original): The system of claim 16 wherein the two levels of sophistication include a first level comprising a first textual content and a second level comprising a second textual content.

Claim 20 (Original): The system of claim 16 wherein the two levels of sophistication include a first level comprising a first voice and a first textual content and a second level comprising a second voice and a second textual content.

Claim 21 (New): The method of claim 1 further comprising at least two sections of the program have additional instructional options and the number of levels of sophistication varies between the at least two sections.

Claim 22 (New): The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising at least two sections of the program have additional instructional options and the type of additional instructional information varies between the at least two sections.

Claim 23 (New): The system of claim 1 further comprising at least two sections of the program have additional instructional options and the number of levels of sophistication and type of additional instructional information varies between the at least two sections.

Claim 24 (New): The method of claim 1 wherein the instructional information comprises instruction, questions, and/or question feedback related to the subject.

Claim 25 (New): The method of claim 24 further comprising varying the type of instructional information between at least two sections of the program.

Claim 26 (New): The method of claim 1 further comprising at least one section of the program having no additional instructional options.

Claim 27 (New): The method of claim 1 further comprising at least one section of the program having an additional instructional option at one level of sophistication.

Claim 28 (New): The apparatus of claim 11 further comprising at least two sections of the program have additional instructional options and the number of levels of sophistication varies between the at least two sections.

Claim 29 (New): The apparatus of claim 11 further comprising at least two sections of the program have additional instructional options and the type of additional instructional information varies between the at least two sections.

Claim 30 (New): The apparatus of claim 11 further comprising at least two sections of the program have additional instructional options and the number of levels of sophistication and type of additional instructional information varies between the at least two sections.

Claim 31 (New): The method of claim 1 wherein the instructional information comprises instruction, questions, and/or question feedback related to the subject.

Claim 32 (New): The method of claim 24 further comprising varying the type of instructional information between at least two sections of the program.

Claim 33 (New): The method of claim 1 further comprising at least one section of the program having no additional instructional options.

Claim 34 (New): The apparatus of claim 11 further comprising at least one section of the program having an additional instructional option at one level of sophistication.

Claim 35 (New): The system of claim 16 further comprising at least one section of the program having no additional instructional options.

Claim 36 (New): The apparatus of claim 1 further comprising at least two sections of the program have additional instructional options and the type of additional instructional information varies between the at least two sections.

Claim 37 (New): The system of claim 1 further comprising at least two sections of the program have additional instructional options and the number of levels of sophistication and type of additional instruction information varies between the at least two sections.

Claim 38 (New): The method of claim 1 wherein the instructional information comprises instruction, questions, and/or question feedback related to the subject.

Claim 39 (New): The method of claim 24 further comprising varying the type of instructional information between at least two sections of the program.

Claim 40 (New): The system of claim 16 further comprising at least one section of the program having an additional instructional option at one level of sophistication.